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Dear Sir:


Enclosed please find in connection with the above-identified application:

1. an Amendment and

In the event the patent office charges a fee for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 50-0612.

Respectfully submitted,
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2001, Applicant submits the following response and amendment:

Please amend claims 1-6, 10-16 and 18 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for transacting router notification of changes to router configuration data using a database subsystem, said database subsystem storing said router configuration and being operatively coupled for communication with a plurality of router subsystems, comprising:

- (a) transmitting a notification registration request by a first of said plurality of subsystems to said database subsystem, said registration request indicating configuration data for which said first subsystem requires registration for notification of changes to said configuration data;
- (b) receiving said notification registration request by said database subsystem; and
- (c) registering said first of said plurality of subsystems for notification by said database subsystem.